

**MAIL STOP AF**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND  
TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: : Rickard et al.  
SERIAL NO: : 10/679,824  
FILED: : October 6, 2003  
FOR: : Optical Sub-Carrier Multiplexed  
Transmission  
EXAMINER: : Li Liu  
GROUP ART UNIT: : 2613  
CONFIRMATION NO: : 3707  
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
OF NOVEMBER 20, 2008 AND AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Honorable Director of  
Patents and Trademarks  
PO Box 1450,  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In further response further to the Office Action mailed November 20, 2008, it is requested that the application be amended as follows.